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TAGS: TECH, MARR' MCAP, MNUC, UK, US

SUBJ: UK PRODUCTION OF TRITIUM

1. THE MOD ANNOUNCED ON 27 APRIL -- AND THE BRITISH QUALITY PRESS HAS CARRIED IT IN LOW KEY FASHION -- THAT HMG HAD DECIDED TO PRODUCE ITS OWN TRITIUM REQUIREMENTS FOR "POLARIS MISSILES" AND ACCORDINGLY BRITISH NUCLEAR FUELS HAS BEEN AWARDED A CONTRACT TO PRODUCE TRITIUM THEREBY ENDING THE "NEED FOR IMPORTS FROM AMERICA". THE DAILY TELEGRAPH NOTED, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT THE "DECISION WOULD SAVE DOLLARS, BUT LEFT-WING MEMBERS OF THE LABOUR PARTY WILL BE UPSET THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS SPENDING MONEY ON NUCLEAR FUEL WHEN IT IS CLAIMING TO CUT DEFENSE EXPENDITURE".

2. AS ANNOUNCEMENT MAY CREATE PRESS QUERIES, REQUEST GUIDANCE FOR HANDLING MATTER.

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